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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On the face of the issued patent under U.S. Patent Documents insert:


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On the face of the issued patent under Other Prior Art insert:

Aebi, M., "The Internal Skeletal Fixation System. A New Treatment of Thoracolumbar Fractures and Other Spinal Disorders," Clin. Orthop., Vol. 227, pp. 30-43 (1988)  
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